



Crop Progress and Condition

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Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.4. The weather conditions were more favorable for fieldwork this week. Farming activities for the week included planting soybeans, harvesting barley and wheat, side-dressing corn, and making hay; some reports indicate the hay is very mature and of lower quality.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 06/12/16

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	1	13	72	14
Subsoil	1	8	77	14

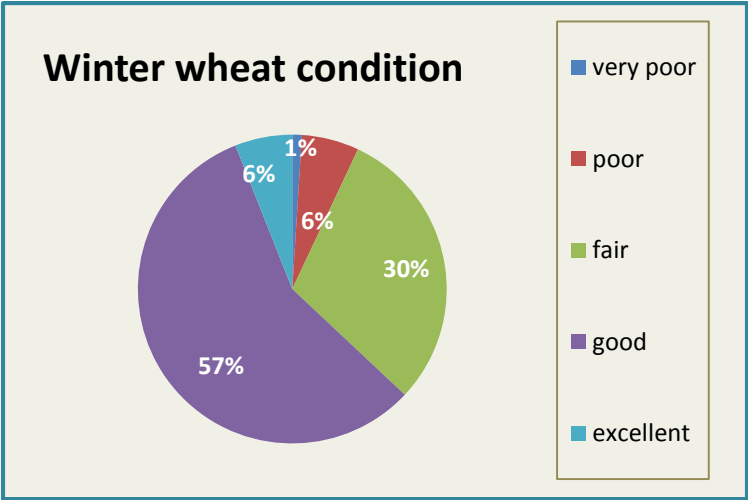
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CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 06/12/16

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	3	18	41	38	-
Grapes	2	32	37	29	-
Peaches	28	24	38	10	-
Barley	3	11	38	44	4
Corn	1	9	32	46	12
Cotton	-	4	12	84	-
Hay, Alfalfa	1	4	34	57	4
Hay, Other	2	10	38	44	6
Oats	1	3	40	50	6
Peanuts	-	-	9	91	-
Potatoes, Summer	-	-	8	92	-
Tobacco, Flue-cured	-	-	21	62	17
Winter wheat	1	6	30	57	6
Pasture	2	6	40	42	10
Livestock	1	5	23	58	13

-Represents zero.

WINTER WHEAT for week ending 06/12/16

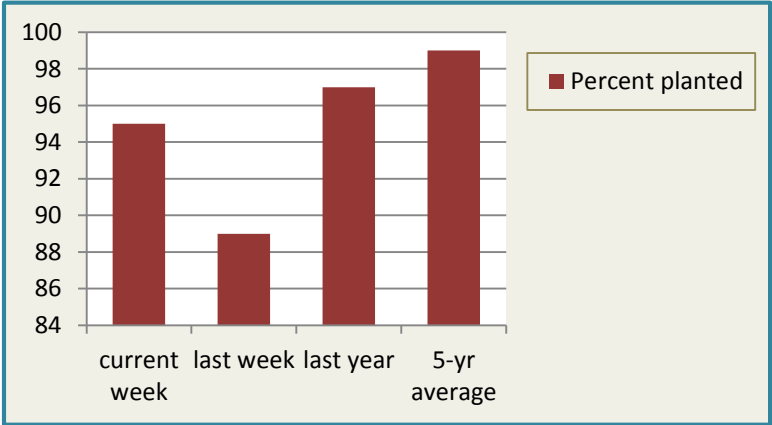


CROP PROGRESS for week ending 06/12/16

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Barley harvested	20	5	39	-
Corn planted	95	89	97	99
Corn emerged	86	80	91	95
Cotton planted	84	79	100	99
Cotton squaring	16	8	12	13
Oats harvested	31	20	22	-
Peanuts planted	82	76	97	99
Soybeans planted	44	35	62	58
Soybeans emerged	31	24	49	45
Tobacco, Burley transplanted	61	49	76	82
Tobacco, Fire-cured transplanted	61	45	82	95
Tobacco, Flue-cured transplanted	78	70	96	98
Winter wheat harvested	9	3	10	22

- Represents data not available.

CORN PLANTED for week ending 06/12/16



Weather Summary- For the week ending June 12, 2016

City	Temperature						Growing degree days (modified base 50)		Precipitation				
	Avg. max.	Avg. min.	High max.	Low min.	Avg.	Avg. dep. from normal *	Mar. 1 to June 11	Mar. 1 to June 11 norm	Last Week	Since Jun. 1	Jun. 1 dep. from normal *	Jan. 1 to date	Jan. 1 dep. from normal *
Lynchburg	83	59	92	48	71	2	1212	1119	0.16	1.03	-0.30	20.68	1.36
Norfolk	85	68	91	61	76	4	1350	1210	2.55	2.55	1.25	24.78	4.96
Richmond	85	61	93	49	73	2	1270	1243	0.22	4.19	2.91	24.82	5.73
Roanoke	84	61	95	51	73	3	1324	NA	0.00	0.60	-0.76	18.33	-0.96
Wash/Dulles	83	58	95	47	70	1	1131	NA	0.01	1.04	-0.53	18.70	0.37

* Normal based on 1971-2000 data. NA-Not available. Source: NCEP/NOAA Climate Prediction Center <http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov>. Source: USDA, NASS, Virginia Field Office.

REPORTER COMMENTS BY COUNTY – Comments are based on remarks made by extension agents, farmers, commodity specialists, and other knowledgeable individuals.

CENTRAL

AMELIA (Laura Siegle)

We have had a drier, hotter week than previous times, giving a few more producers an opportunity to get out to cut hay and plant.

CAROLINE (Mike Broaddus)

Other than scattered rains one day this past week, the weather has been very conducive for crop growth and field work.

SPOTSYLVANIA (John Howe)

Much hay being made, but it is very mature and likely of lower quality.

EASTERN

KING GEORGE (Mike Broaddus)

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GLOUCESTER/MATHEWS/MIDDLESEX (David Moore)

Nice week of weather. Lots of soybeans planted this week, along with corn nitrogen side-dress and herbicide applications. Wheat is drying down rapidly. Maybe some harvest next week. Some barley harvest beginning. Vegetables and soybeans are growing off well. Sweet potatoes are planted. Tomatoes, peppers, squash and cantaloupes continue to be planted. Haymaking possibilities have improved.

ESSEX/KING AND QUEEN/KING WILLIAM (Keith Balderson)

Soil dried out quickly last week and farmers took advantage of the conditions to continue planting soybeans, side-dressing corn with nitrogen, and applying post emergence herbicides to corn. The barley crop was harvested during the week, and yields were poor.

NORTHAMPTON (Ursula Deitch)

Wheat harvest and soybean planting is in full swing. All crops have enjoyed a break from the rains.

SOUTHEASTERN

CHESAPEAKE CITY (Watson Lawrence Jr.)

Some fields of soybeans have weak stands due to wet conditions at planting. Low humidity and dry conditions set in the later part of the week after a rainy start. Overall, many crops are struggling and are a week behind schedule in the planting season.

BRUNSWICK (Cynthia Gregg)

Storms this week broke tree limbs and did some other minor damage, we were lucky for the most part. Some farmers are still trying to plant crops, some crops are showing water stress, and producers are trying to keep an eye on everything. Hay has been cut this week in abundance, it is over mature but needed to be cut.

SURRY (Mr. Glenn Slade)

Good, sunny days have growers catching up on field work. Small grain harvest is just beginning with variable yields and quality. Soybean planting is behind schedule with many early beans still being planted.